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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:  
Paul Tubel, et al.

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For: Methods And Apparatus For  
Monitoring And Controlling Oil  
And Gas Production Wells From  
A Remote Location

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## **RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED MARCH 19, 2003**

In response to the Final Office Action dated March 19, 2003, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on June 19, 2003, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. Although Applicant believes that no fee is due in connection with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/WEAT/0003/WBP, for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.